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The popular vote, as nearly as can now be computed, shows that Cleveland and Stevenson have a majority of about 500,000 over Harrison and Reid. In 1884 Cleveland's plurality was 62,683, and in 1888 it was 98,017.

The national Democratic committee should not consider the campaign as wholly ended so long as the Republican "fine workers" are plotting to undo the result of the election in several western states by stealing senators.

Miss Saphonisa Breckinridge, the talented and accomplished daughter of Congressman W. C. P. Breckinridge, of Kentucky, was admitted to the bar at Lexington, Ky., Monday. The young lady has taken this step in order to assist her father, whom she almost idolizes.

The white house at the national capital was the scene of another death Tuesday night. The venerable John Scott, father-in-law of President Harrison peacefully passed away surrounded by the president and his family. Mr. Scott was a distinguished minister of the Presbyterian church and was in the 93rd year of his age.

In California the People's party will hold the balance of power in the legislature, the Democrats lacking five and the Republicans seven of a majority, while the People's party will have seven members of the legislature. So it is decidedly mixed and difficult to tell what will be the political status of the next U. S. senator from the Golden state.

The Brookfield Argus very truthfully says: "Missouri has never had two better officers than A. A. Lesueur and Willard C. Hall. For the first time political and industrial statistics have been collated thoroughly and published in well-arranged form. The map system introduced by Commissioner Hall is an admirable improvement. Such officers are standing up for Missouri by doing the state's business faithfully." Capt. Lesueur was formerly a newspaper man, and was called from the tripod of the Lexington Intelligencer to his present official position, and still has quite a weakness for the newspaper fraternity. Mr. Hall at the time of his appointment as labor commissioner was chief clerk and special agent of the bureau of labor. He has filled the position of his present office most admirably, and aside from having made a most excellent official, is guardian and curator of his brother, U. S. Hall, congressman-elect from this, the Second congressional district.

Speaker Crisp favors an extra session of congress early next March. His plan is to meet, appoint important committees and adjourn. In vacation the ways and means committee could prepare a tariff bill which could be made a law at the long session of the Fifty-third congress, which would enable such a measure to be tested thoroughly before the presidential election of 1896. One thing is certain, either the Democratic or Republican party is wrong on the tariff question, and the sooner it is learned which of the parties is right on this great issue the better it will be for the country. Judging from the recent election returns the people are in sympathy with Democratic ideas on the tariff, and are willing that that party's position on that question be carried out. It now remains for the Democratic party to prove true to its pledges, and carry out to the letter its tariff reform principles.

AT THEIR OLD TRICKS.

The Republican politicians have not abandoned their rascally habit of reversing the result of elections. They are trying to steal two or three senators in the western states.

A dispatch from Cheyenne to the New York Tribune revealed the scheme and the method in Wyoming, as follows:

It now looks as though the Republicans would control the Wyoming legislature and return Francis E. Warren to the United States senate by a mandamus order from the courts. A certificate of election was issued to a Republican candidate for the house of representatives, although the Democrats claimed that more votes had been cast for his opponent. In another county the Republicans will in all probability throw out a precinct on irregularity and thus strengthen their power in the legislature. The Republicans have a majority in the senate, and by gaining the house they will be able to settle all contests in short order.

There is no pretense here that the Republicans have carried the legislature of Wyoming. They are simply plotting to "control" it after the Democrats and the Populists have carried it.

The process is familiar. Republican election officers are induced to issue certificates to candidates of their party who received a minority of the votes. Other precincts are "thrown out on irregularity," as was done in Montana at its first state election. If necessary the aid of partisan courts is invoked. With a bare majority of the legislature thus secured, trumped-up contests are "settled in short order," always in favor of the Republican claimants, as the Tribune dispatch naively fortells the scheme in Wyoming to be, and the theft is complete.

Plots similar to this are under way in Montana, Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota, California, and probably in other states where the Republicans were defeated. The control of the senate may depend upon the vigilance and courage with which the honest results of the election are guarded. The national Democratic committee should not be caught napping, as long as Republicans are so active in their efforts to steal the upper house of congress. A complete victory has not been accomplished until the Republican party has been thwarted in its bold and audacious attempts to steal the senate.

Will Turn the Rascals Out.

Hon. John C. Tarnsey, the well-known Kansas City congressman, ventures the opinion that Mr. Cleveland will not withhold federal patronage from the Democrats as he did in 1885. Democratic success this time, Mr. Tarnsey explains, is not due to the mugwump vote, and he thinks the Democrats are entitled to everything. This opinion seems to be general. The Republican officials do not deserve to remain in office. All their votes and much of their surplus money was contributed to defeat Mr. Cleveland, and this ought to settle the question.

If we base a view on the result of the election, it must be that the people want a complete change. Every form of power entrusted to the Republican party in 1888 has been swept away by an overwhelming vote. Even their stronghold, the United States senate, has been forced to surrender. On the 4th of next March the Democratic party will be absolutely in control. It is nonsense to say that such a decisive victory means that individual members of a discredited party must hold the federal offices.

Mr. Cleveland cannot and will not consider his election as meaning anything else than that the Republican office-holders must go quickly and go one and all.

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Mike Fanning, at one time private secretary to Gov. Francis, later editor of the St. Louis Sunday Mirror, now a temporary resident of Chicago, was interviewed in Chicago a few days ago by a Globe reporter in regard to Missouri's congressional delegation. Speaking of U. S. Hall, congressman-elect from this district, Mr. Fanning said: "U. S. Hall is the son of the late Judge Willard Hall, who was a great Democrat in his day. He is it was who declared, when the proposition was made to secede, that a fight for the confederacy in Missouri was futile, as it was bordered by three union states—Illinois, Iowa and Kansas. His prediction was verified after a desperate but hopeless warfare. U. S. Hall has a brother who is one of the best pistol shots in the army, Captain Will Hall; a brother who is a distinguished surgeon in the navy, Dr. John Hall, and a brother, the present labor commissioner of Missouri, Willard Cotton Hall. Congressman-elect Hall was president of the Farmers' alliance in Missouri, and by the force of his eloquence and personal influence held the Missouri alliance from endorsing the subtreasury and land loan schemes and kept it in the Democratic fold, the result of which was the election of a solid congressional delegation two years ago. He might have had the nomination for the governorship this year, but he chose to go to congress for the active life for which he is much better fitted than for dispensing the patronage and exercising the pardoning power of an executive. He contested the nomination with Charles Mansur, one of the most popular congressmen in the state, and who had held the office for a number of consecutive terms. Hall is a lawyer by training, but a "practical farmer by choice."

We take the liberty of correcting Mr. Fanning as to Mr. Hall's being "a farmer from choice."

It is well known that Mr. Hall is a farmer by restraint of his paternal ancestor and not from choice, and no one knows this better than Congressman-elect Hall himself.

R. D. Vincent shipped a car load of cattle to St. Charles Monday.

In casting about for a governor of Oklahoma Mr. Cleveland could not make a better selection than to appoint "our own" Senator Mackay. He is honest and capable and would fill Oklahoma's gubernatorial chair not only with honor to himself but with credit to Mr. Cleveland's administration.

The next Missouri legislature will have 91 Democrats and 49 Republicans. These senators stand 28 Democrats to 6 Republicans. A majority of 5 Democrats on joint ballot.

John Glas, a Salisbury saloon keeper and a Republican, made a bet with Jim Dulany, a prominent citizen of Hannibal. If Cleveland was elected Glas was to wheel Dulany through the streets of Salisbury in a wheelbarrow, and if Harrison was elected Dulany was to wheel Glas. The latter paid his bet at Salisbury last Friday. The wheelbarrow was gaudily trimmed with flags and bunting. Pack truly says: "What fools these mortals be."

The local tobacco market has opened. Buyers are paying from \$5 to \$6.50 a hundred for burley, but old style will be much lower. We have not heard of any sales of the latter variety this season.

L. D. Applegate has sold his residence lot in the new addition to "Uncle Tom" Gribble for \$50. Cheap.

Dr. Dewey's steed has strayed, and the doctor says he will give as much for his recovery as any other man.

Rev. R. T. Stith and wife, of Pee Dee, are elated over the recent arrival of a fine son at their house.

The Courier hopes to be comfortably quartered in its new office by January 1st.

J. W. Lewis, jr., of Glasgow, basked in the smiles of a Keytesville belle Sunday.

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